IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA LYNCHBURG DIVISION

CHRISTOPHER JAGGARS,

**Plaintiff** 

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**CIVIL ACTION NO. 6:14-cv-00015** 

SANDY SPRING BANK,

Defendant

MOTION TO DISMISS AMENDED COMPLAINT

Defendant, by counsel, pursuant to Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil

Procedure, moves to dismiss the Amended Complaint on the following grounds:

The Amended Complaint alleges a violation of the Virginia business

conspiracy statutes, Va. Code §§ 18.2-499 and -500. Those statutes require proof

that a defendant acted with "legal malice", i.e., intentionally, purposefully, and without

lawful justification, in a deliberate effort to injure plaintiff's business interests. The

Amended Complaint is devoid of factual allegations that could plausibly show legal

malice on the part of this defendant, and thus fails to state a claim on which relief can

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be granted.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, defendant requests that the

Amended Complaint be dismissed and that defendant be awarded its costs.

**SANDY SPRING BANK** 

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## **CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that I electronically filed the foregoing Motion to Dismiss with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notification to Gary M. Bowman, counsel for plaintiff, by email at <a href="mailto:gary@garymbowman.com">gary@garymbowman.com</a>, on this <a href="mailto:17">17th</a> day of July, 2014.

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